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Commissioner Of Patents and Trademarks U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Attn: Licensing and Review, 4-10C-24 Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sirs:

This is to notify you, on behalf of the head of the agency who caused the secrecy order to be issued on the following identified patent application, that an affirmative determination has been made that the national interest requires that the invention continue to be kept secret and the grant of a patent continue to be withheld.

U.S. Patent application Serial No. 06/101,401 Filed: 5 December 1979 Inventor(s) Peter M. Rankin et al. Prosecuted by (x) Govt () Contractor () Unknown Party

Accordingly, it is recommended that the order be renewed.

Sincerely

MERVIN L. JORDAN, USAF Sponsor (ASPAB Member)